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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for dynamically upgrading software applications in a distributed network, comprising the steps of:
 - providing a set of modules in a user interface;
 - receiving user input indicating a selection of selecting at least one of the modules for upgrade;
 - receiving user input indicating a selection of selecting at least one component among a set of components associated with the at least one module for upgrade;
 - receiving user input indicating a selection of selecting at least one source and destination site parameter providing location information for the selected at least one of the modules;
 - generating a profile of at least one upgrade application based upon the selected at least one module, at least one component and at least one source and destination parameter; and
 - retrieving at least one upgrade application based upon the generated profile.
2. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one module is at least one of a workflow module, an Order Management System (OMS) [[OMS]] module, a catalog module, a rules module, an orders module, a membership module, an accounting and credit card module, a permissions module and a pop-ups module.
3. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one module includes at least one associated component.

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4. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the workflow module is associated with at least one of an approver matrix component, a delegations component, a workflow log component, a process definitions component and a process instances and tasks component.
5. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the OMS module is associated with at least one of an adjustment component, a price list component, a price column component, a price item component, a price list information component, a unit component a unit conversion table component, a unit conversion entries component, a ship method component, a freight terms component and a payment terms component.
6. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the catalog module is associated with at least one of a catalog component and a catalog views and permissions component.
7. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the rules module is associated with at least one of an accounting code component, a commodity codes component, an interface component, an inventory component, a payment component, a pricing component, a products component, a security component, a shipping component, a tax component, and a workflow component.
8. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the orders module is associated with at least one of a completed orders component and an in-progress orders component.
9. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the membership module is associated with at least one of an organization component, an organization units component, a users group component, a users component and a locations component.

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10. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the accounting and commodity codes modules is associated with at least one of an accounting codes component and a commodity codes component.
11. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the permissions module includes at least one of a permission level component and a permission rules component.
12. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of generating a profile includes the steps of:
- generating an import file; and
 - downloading the import file to an import/export utility.
13. (currently amended) The method according to claim 12, wherein the import file includes [[the]] selected module type information, location information including location information for the retrieved at least one upgrade application, operation information, and business object information.
14. (currently amended) The method according claim 1, further including the step of running the downloaded module upgrade upgrading the at least one module selected for upgrade with the retrieved at least one upgrade application.
15. (currently amended) The method according to claim 1, further including the step of indicating the status of the upgrade upgrading.
16. (Original) The method according to claim 1, further including the step of generating a report for the at least one upgrade application.
17. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one upgrade utility includes at least one business object.

Claims 18-22 (canceled)

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23. (currently amended) A computer program product comprising a computer useable medium having computer readable code embodied therein, the computer program product adapted to effect the steps comprising:

providing a set of modules in a user interface;

receiving user input comprising at least one module selection;

receiving user input comprising at least one component selection from a set of components, the at least one component associated with the at least one module selection;

receiving user input comprising at least one source and destination parameter providing a location associated with the at least one module selection or the at least one component selection; [[and]]

generating an upgrade profile based upon the received module selection, component selection and source and destination parameter[.];

retrieving an upgrade application based on the upgrade profile; and

upgrading the at least one component using the upgrade application and based upon the received at least one source parameter.

24. (new) A method for enabling a user to selectively and dynamically update software applications, comprising:

receiving a user request for an application upgrade;

providing a plurality of modules for the application upgrade, each of the modules comprising a set of functional components;

receiving user input selecting a subset of the modules for use in the application upgrade;

for each of the modules in the selected subset, receiving user input selecting one or more of the functional components associated with that module for upgrade;

retrieving an upgrade utility for each of the selected functional components for each of the modules in the selected subset; and

upgrading each of the selected functional components by invoking the retrieved upgrade utilities.